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1. UNDERSECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS AT MFA FARTASH INFORMED EMBASSY AUGUST 20 THAT IRA HAD SELECTED ADVANCE PARTY OFF ICCS TEAM WHICH IS READY TO PROCEED TO SAIGOB AT ANY TIME. MEMBERS OF TEAM ARE ALL MILITARY OFFICERS: STAFF COLONEL SOLTAN-MOHAMMAD ETEMAD, LEADER; STAFF COLONEL HADI ZARIN-KHAME; STAFF LT COLONEL AMIRHOSSEIN SHAHRDAR; STAFF LT COLONEL MOHAMMAD TAHERY; INFANTRY STAFF CAPTAIN HABIBOLLAH TASSOLOTI. GOI IS IN PROCESS OF SELECTING LEADER OF ENTIRE IRANIAN ICCS CONTINGENT WHO WILL BE A CIVILIAN OF CONFIDENTIAL

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2. FARTASH SOUGHT EMBASSY ADVICE ON HOW IRANIAN ADVANCE PARTY WOULD PROCEED TO SAIGON. IF TRANSPORT BY AMERICAN MILITARY AIR COMMAND WERE AVAILABLE, ADANCE PARTY WOULD GO BY THIS MEANS. SUBSEQUENTLY WE INFORMED MFA THAT MAC FLIGHT WAS NOT AVAILABLE AND THAT IRAN WOULD HAVE TO MAKE ITS OWN ARRANGEMENTS.

COMMENT: IRANIAN WILLINGNESS TO HAVE ITS ADVANCE PARTY ARRIVE IN SAIGON BY AMERICAN MILVTARY AIRCRAFT SUGGESTS IRAN

INTENTION OF RELYING RATHER HEAVILY ON AMERICAN GUIDANCE AND RESOURCES IN PLAYING STS ICCS ROLE. END COMMENT

3. NOTING READINESS OF IRANIAN ADVANCE PARTY TO DEPART AT ANY TIME FOR SAIGON, EMBASSY INDICATED THAT ALL PARTIES CONCERNED HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN EARLY IRANIAN ARRIVAL AND URGED THAT ADVANCE PARTY LEAVE AS SOON AS POSIBLE. WE SHALL SEND ARRIVAL DETAILS OF PARTY AS SOON AS THESE ARE AVAILABLE. HELMS

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